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Wide Support in NIT Sweep

Cancer Study Promising

A promising new experimental approach to the treatment of breast cancer has been announced by two SIU researchers, chemist Roger Beyler and endocrinologist George Gass.

Their study, supported in part by research grants from the American Cancer Society, has led to hormone-based synthetics which apparently have slowed down growth of tumors in laboratory rats by as much as forty to eighty percent.

Compounds produced by the SIU research team are known cancer producing or inhibiting hormones with a nitrogen mustard molecular grouping tacked on. The hypothesis was that the physiologically active hormone would “target” on a tumor site, where the mustard agent then would work to slow or stop its growth. First returns seem to confirm this.

While the same technique has been attempted by other researchers, Beyler has synthesized compounds by substituting the nitrogen mustard group on a different part of the host molecule. The rearrangement does not interfere with the several main active chemical functions of the molecule.

While the process is laborious and amounts produced necessarily small, thirteen compounds with various hormonal base components have been synthesized—and each has proved effective in some degree.

Confirmation tests of some of the synthetic compounds with various kinds of cancer are to be made through the Cancer Chemotherapy National Service Center in Washington, D.C.

Gass, who has been working in cancer research for the past

Alumni Day Re-set

Alumni Day, originally announced as June 10, has been rescheduled for June 3. The change was made after the University Council found it necessary to revise the calendar for the Spring Quarter, changing Commencement to June 10. Although the day’s program will be designed for all alumni, special reunions are scheduled for the Class of 1966 and those classes from years ending in “2” or “7”.

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Cancer Research . . . (from page 1)
nineteen years, termed the findings “the most exciting thing I’ve run across in my studies.” He cautioned, however, that limits of the study prevent final evaluation at this time.

Cancer research at SIU meanwhile gained an additional team member when Hassan Rouhandeh, a researcher experienced in the study of viruses as a possible cause of leukemia and other cancers, was named to a joint faculty appointment as associate professor of microbiology and laboratory research scientist.

Rouhandeh has for the past four years been a member of the research and teaching staff of the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City.

Under an American Cancer Society grant which was transferred with him from Kansas to SIU, he has been engaged in two key cancer research studies. One involves cancer-producing properties of certain monkey viruses, the other viral causes of leukemia. The Cancer Society grant already has been renewed for another year, effective this month.

Rouhandeh, a native of Iran, also has made extensive related studies of monkey pox virus in the development of tumors, much of his work supported by grants from the National Institute of Health.

Tijuana Brass Coming

Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass, perhaps the nation’s most popular musical group of the year, will appear in the SIU Arena at 8 P.M. Sunday, May 7.

Ticket mail order blanks have been sent to alumni within a wide radius of Carbondale, with alumni tickets on sale one week in advance of ticket sales to students and the general public—at which time a sellout is assured.

Ticket prices are $4.50, $3.50, $3, and $1.50 with all seats reserved. Ticket orders may be sent to “Herb Alpert,” SIU Arena, Carbondale. Checks or money orders should be payable to “SIU Arena,” and each order should include a stamped, self-addressed envelope for ticket return.

NIT . . . (from page 1)
Valuable Player trophy, and was named to the all-tourney team along with All American guards Bob Lloyd of Rutgers and Jimmy Walker of Providence, Marshall’s George Stone, and Bob Wolf of Marquette.

Three members of Hartman’s starting NIT lineup are seniors. They are center Ralph Johnson, forward Clarence Smith, and guard Ed Zastrow. Also playing his final game for SIU in the NIT windup was Roger Bechtold, key reserve guard who saw extensive action throughout the season.

An estimated 1,000 SIU students and alumni made their way into Madison Square Garden for the final game. Also on hand were the cheerleaders, a pep band, and the Saluki mascot, dog-outfitted John Rush. A capacity crowd of 18,000-plus was on hand.

As the Salukis surged toward the meet finals, hundreds of SIU students who had planned to leave Carbondale for a Florida vacation between quarters turned instead toward New York. A large sign promoting “Walt Frazier for Mayor” appeared in the rear window of at least one Carbondale resident’s auto.

The NIT competition gave the Salukis a season record of twenty-four wins and two losses, best in SIU basketball history. One of the losses was in double-overtime to nationally-ranked Louisville and was later avenged. The other was a two-point decision to Southern Methodist in the finals of the Sun Bowl Tournament at El Paso, Texas, over the Christmas holidays.

Nominating Group Set

Alumni Association President Maurice Clark ’38, M.S. ’53, has named a nominating committee to consider candidates for four positions on the Association Board of Directors.

Committee members are Walter B. Young, Jr., ex ’47, Association past president, chairman; Vice President Andrew Marcec ’56, and W. Stewart Williams ’29, chairman of the membership committee.

Board terms end this year for William Bracy ’49, J. Lester Buford ’24–2, ’28, Bert Casper ’25–2, ’27, and Miss Hilda Stein ’22–2, ’25.

The committee will present a slate of nominees to the Legislative Council meeting on Alumni Day, June 3.

Suggestions for board nominees are welcomed from Association members, and should be sent to Robert Odaniell, Executive Director, SIU Alumni Association, Carbondale. All suggestions will be forwarded to the committee.

VTI Open House Set

The Vocational-Technical Institute will have an “Alumni Day” as part of its Sixth Annual Open House this month.

More than 2,000 persons are expected for the event, scheduled all day Friday, April 28, and Sunday afternoon, April 30. Sunday has been set aside especially for alumni.
Great Teacher Balloting

Ballots for the annual SIU Alumni Association Great Teacher Award will be mailed to Association members in early May, leading to selection of the 1967 recipient to be honored on Alumni Day, June 3.

Each year since 1960 an SIU faculty member has been cited by Association members for excellence of classroom teaching. The “Great Teacher” receives a check for $1,000 made possible through gifts from alumni.

Past recipients are not eligible for the award. They are the late Douglas Lawson and Dean E. G. Lentz, Thomas Cassidy, Mrs. Georgia Winn, Robert Faner, Claude Coleman, and James Neckers.

Association rules regarding selection of the “Great Teacher” specify that research accomplishments, administrative talent, popularity, or other qualifications other than classroom teaching ability should not be considered in balloting. The rules also stress that electioneering on behalf of any candidate, with or without his or her knowledge, will disqualify that candidate for the award.

Planning Alumni Camp

This summer’s Alumni Family Vacation Camp at the SIU Little Grassy Facilities will mark the 10th annual camping program. Dates and other information on the 1967 camp will be given in a brochure mailed to Alumni Association members later this month. The brochure also will include a reservation form which should be returned immediately, as accommodations are limited.

The annual family camping program at the Little Grassy site, located on Little Grassy Lake southeast of the Carbondale campus, is one of the advantages of Alumni Association membership. Its popularity in recent years has been marked by a high rate of return to the camp each year.

Best Telefund Campaign

Results of Telefund campaigns already completed indicate that results of this year’s drive will surpass the amount of funds contributed by SIU alumni in any previous year’s program.

With five campaigns completed in March, a half-dozen more drives are set this month (see Alumni Activities on page 4 for the complete schedule).

Alumni outside Illinois or in areas within the state where no Telefund campaign is to be conducted are invited to join the drive by sending gifts directly to the Alumni Office, either at Carbondale or Edwardsville.

Using the coupon on this page, please indicate the program you wish to support. Checks should be made payable to the SIU Alumni Association.

The form also may be used by those persons not now members for joining the Association.

Saluki Sports

A six-game home slate is included in the 1967 Saluki football schedule, including an October 28 Homecoming contest with Tulsa. For the first time in many years, all home games will be played in the afternoon, game time set at 1:30 P.M.

Coach Ellis Rainsberger, hoping to improve on last year’s season record of four wins, five losses, and one tie, will face a rugged lineup of competition which includes five major college foes.

The Saluki coach will be in his second season at SIU, and will have a strong contingent of returning lettermen as well as some promising new talent upon which to build next fall’s squad.

The Salukis will open at home on September 16 against Northeast Missouri, followed by a September 23 invasion of Louisville. Lincoln University of Jefferson City, Mo., will be in Carbondale September 30.

The SIU squad will journey to Greenville, N.C., on October 7 to meet East Carolina. Then come home contests against Dayton on October 14, North Texas State on October 21, and the Homecoming conflict with Tulsa.

Road games at Youngstown on November 4 and Ball State (Muncie, Ind.) on November 11 precede the season’s closing game with Drake at home on November 18.

The complete schedule:

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Alumni Activities

APRIL 3-6
St. Clair County Alumni Club Telefund campaign.

APRIL 4-5
Bloomington Area Alumni Club Telefund campaign.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6
Saline County Alumni Club meeting.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7
Franklin County Alumni Club meeting.

APRIL 10-12
St. Clair County Alumni Club Telefund campaign.
Jackson County Alumni Club Telefund campaign.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13
White County Alumni Club meeting.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14
Springfield Area Alumni Club meeting.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15
Bond-Clinton and Macoupin-Montgomery counties Alumni Clubs, combined meeting.

SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting.

APRIL 17-18
Franklin County Alumni Club Telefund campaign.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20
Decatur Area Alumni Club meeting.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22
Kansas City Area Alumni Club meeting.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26
Bloomington Area Alumni Club meeting.

APRIL 26-27
Decatur Area Alumni Club Telefund campaign.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28
Wayne County Alumni Club meeting.

Remember Alumni Day June 3

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Southern Sketches

A group of Vietnamese educators representing their country’s Ministry of Education completed a three-week workshop at SIU March 25, studying school administration, school financing, health problems, teaching materials, use of textbooks and audio-visual aids, teacher training, and other topics useful in developing elementary education at the provincial level in Viet Nam. Consisting of eleven provincial chiefs and education inspectors, the group was selected by a team of SIU educators in Viet Nam for American study sponsored by the U.S. Office of Education. . . . The Rev. Malcolm E. Gillespie, director of the Student Christian Foundation, has resigned to accept a position as chaplain and assistant professor of philosophy and religion at Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio. He will leave SIU in August.

 Writes Education Text

J. Murray Lee, chairman of the elementary education department, is author of a new text, Elementary Education Today and Tomorrow. The book, published by Allyn & Bacon of Boston, strongly emphasizes findings of research in education. . . . Robert Kingsbury, director of choirs, joined the Robert Shaw Chorale last month as vocalist for a concert tour which will extend through mid-May . . . . A memorial fund in honor of the late Prof. William Henry Harris has been established by members of the philosophy department faculty, to be administered by the SIU Foundation. Harris, who had been on the philosophy faculty since 1956, died in October after undergoing brain surgery.

George Counts Honored

George S. Counts, distinguished visiting professor of education, has been named recipient of the 1967 Award for Distinguished Lifetime Service in Education in the spirit of John Dewey. The award was presented at the annual John Dewey lecture in Chicago, given in conjunction with meetings of the National Association of College Teachers of Education. Counts is the author of twenty-nine books on education and social change. One of these, Prospects of American Democracy, was suggested as a subject for study “in every teachers’ meeting throughout the country” by John Dewey himself. Counts is the second SIU faculty member to be honored with the Dewey Award. John L. Childs, now professor emeritus, received the award in 1965.

New Visiting Faculty

A noted physicist and two veteran educators in industrial education have been named visiting professors at SIU. Lauriston C. Marshall, known for his research in molecular science and currently a consultant to the Southwestern Center for Advanced Studies at Dallas, will serve in the office of academic affairs. Charles M. Rice, former head of industrial education at Western Washington State University, and Lewis Land, retired chairman of industrial education at Pennsylvania State University, will join the School of Technology faculty.